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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Requirement for Restriction dated March 21, 2005 in the above-referenced application, applicant is submitting an election and at the same time amends the specification as follows: